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REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

STORMY SCENES IN RUSSIA.

PEOPLE FIRED ON IN PETROGRAD AND MOSCOW.

Constituent Assembly Dramatically Dissolved.

London, January 19.
Reuter's correspondent at Petrograd, writing on January 18, states that the Constituent Assembly was opened at four in the afternoon by M. Sverdloff, President of the Central Committee of all Soviets.

Four hours previously a body of Maximalists attacked a procession of the Society for the Defence of the Constituent Assembly, tearing down banners. At first there was a command to fire in the air and this was followed by machine-gun and rifle fire. A number of persons were killed, including M. Lyvinnoff, a member of the Executive Committee of the Peasants' Deputies. There were also many wounded, including several women.

Many people were killed at Moscow owing to the Red Guards firing on demonstrators favouring the Constituent Assembly.

A Socialistic Programme.

London, January 20.
Reuter's correspondent at Petrograd says that M. Sverdloff read a declaration of the workers' rights, proclaiming Russia a Republic of the Soviets or Councils of Workmen, Soldiers and Peasants' Deputies; abolishing private ownership; making work compulsory; the arming of the workers; the disarming of the lazarist classes; organising a Socialist Army; and repudiating loans. The declaration concluded as follows: "Power belongs exclusively to the workers and Soviets and their representatives."

Sailors armed with rifles and bayonets were stationed at the gangways and two field guns were posted at the entrance. The Constituent Assembly decided by 273 votes to 140 to defer consideration of the declaration. Thereupon the Bolsheviks and the Left Social Revolutionaries walked out. The remaining Social Revolutionaries of the Right, despite the menace of armed sailors, hurriedly passed their land measures and a proposal to send delegates to the belligerents, with a view to a world peace.

Constituent Assembly Dissolved.

Later.
Reuter's correspondent at Petrograd says the Constituent Assembly has been dissolved.
The Assembly was dissolved by sailors at 4 o'clock in the morning.

Stormy Scenes.

London, January 20.
Reuter's correspondent at Petrograd states that the Bolshevik Decree dissolving the Constituent Assembly followed a stormy sitting, at which M. Theretelli, probably the most popular Social Revolutionary leader, arraigned the Bolsheviks for usurpation, insisting that the supreme rights of the Russian people devolved on the Constituent Assembly. M. Theretelli was most enthusiastically cheered by the Social Revolutionaries, while the Maximalists, including General Krylenko, whistled and hooted, shouting "Traitor!" "Scoundrel!" and "Get Out!"
When M. Theretelli threatened measures against the interrupters, General Krylenko exclaimed "Try it; your day is over!"

Diplomats Not Invited.

London, January 20.
Reuter's correspondent at Petrograd states that the Allied and neutral diplomats were not invited to the opening of the Constituent Assembly, and no Cadet member appeared.

Railwaymen's Views.

London, January 20.
The All-Russian Railwaymen's Congress has by 273 votes to 261 passed a resolution in favour of the formation of a Government responsible to the Constituent Assembly.

MR. LLOYD GEORGE HECKLED.

Pointed Answers to Trade Unionists.

London, January 19.
After his speech to Trade Union representatives effected by the Men Power Bill, Mr. Lloyd George invited and answered numerous questions regarding the advisability of negotiating with the Germans when the latter were alleged to be whining and squealing for peace. He replied that the Germans were always ready for peace at their own price, which we were not prepared to pay. The moment the Germans show a disposition to negotiate on equitable terms, there will be no reluctance to negotiate.

A-asked whether or not the best way of ascertaining the opinion of the German people was to allow British representatives to meet representatives of other Powers at Stockholm or elsewhere, Mr. Lloyd George replied by pointing out that the German representatives would be chosen by the Government.

A Delegate interjected:—Not necessarily.
Mr. Lloyd George:—You can only make peace with a Government. If the Government does not represent the people of Germany, let them change it; and if this Government does not represent the people of this country, they can change it.

A Delegate interjected:—Give us the opportunity.
Mr. Lloyd George:—We have given you the best opportunity in the Franchise Bill, adding eight millions to the electorate. You can have the opportunity any time you like. The Government does not shrink from it.

A Voice:—On a new Register?
Mr. Lloyd George:—The new Register is not ready. Do you want an election on the old?

The delegates answered in chorus "No."

Mr. Lloyd George:—Very well.
The Premier was considerably heckled regarding the objections to an international workers' conference apart from Governments. He replied that all the Allies and America agreed that negotiations could only be conducted by representatives of the Governments and not by sections of the people.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

ENEMY TROOPS MOVEMENTS.

Austrian Troops in Belgian Province.

London, January 20.
According to Reuter's correspondent at The Hague, the newspaper *Les Nouvelles* states that the Belgian Province of Limburg is filled with Austrian troops who arrived last week.

German Breach of Armistice.

London, January 20.
Reuter learns from statements of German deserters regarding the movements of German troops from the East to the West that it is clear that both the 31st and 42nd Divisions were transferred from the East after the armistice was signed.

EXPRESS TRAIN DISASTER.

St. Pancras Train Collides with Landslide.

London, January 20.
An express from St. Pancras collided with a landslide fifteen miles from Carlisle yesterday afternoon.
Two carriages were smashed and three passengers were killed and 20 injured.

SITUATION AT VLADIVOSTOK.

Reported Arrival of British and Japanese Cruisers.

London, January 20.
A Petrograd message says it is reported that both British and Japanese cruisers have arrived at Vladivostok.
The Japanese Embassy at Petrograd denies that Japanese have landed at Vladivostok. It declares that Japan does not entertain the least intention of intervening in the internal affairs of Russia.

OSTEND BOMBARDED.

London, January 20.
A German wireless message states that Ostend has been bombarded from the sea.

ALLIES AND SWITZERLAND.

Britain's Attitude Outlined.

London, January 20.
Reuter learns that Britain has informed Switzerland that "the Government desire to reaffirm the Treaties and Declarations of 1815 and to ensure the Swiss Government that, in conjunction with the United States and France, they will respect the integrity and neutrality of Switzerland for so long as they are maintained by the Federal Government and respected by the enemies of Britain."

USE OF HOSPITAL SHIPS.

Spain Refutes a German Lie.

London, January 20.
Reuter's correspondent at Madrid says that a semi-official statement denies the allegation of the *Cologne Gazette* that Spanish officers are serving on British hospital ships in the Mediterranean and that these vessels transported healthy troops. The statement adds:—"All the information of the Spanish Government justifies it in affirming that no British hospital ship with Spanish officers aboard ever abused our protection of transported troops or war material of any sort."

AUSTRIAN MUNITION WORKERS' STRIKE.

A Pro-Peace and Anti-German Movement.

London, January 20.
Zurich telegrams state that the munition workers in Vienna and in many Provincial towns in Austria have struck work, ostensibly owing to a reduction in the Austrian flour ration, but the movement is also said to have a pro-peace and anti-German character.

THE ITALIAN FRONT.

An Enemy Attack Arrested.

London, January 19.
An Italian official message states:—"Our artillery arrested an attack on a wide front at the bridgehead of Caspelle."

British Batteries Active.

London, January 20.
An Italian official message states that British batteries caused a big fire to the south of Sernaglia.

Six Enemy Aeroplanes Destroyed.

London, January 20.
A British Italian official message states:—"During the past week flying was only possible on two days. We destroyed six aeroplanes without loss to ourselves. There has been active artillery fire daily."

THE WESTERN FRONT.

London, January 20.
Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig, in a communique, states that there is nothing interesting to report.

MR. HUGHES' FUTURE.

London, January 20.
According to Reuter's correspondent at Melbourne, the *Age* states that Mr. Hughes may become High Commissioner in London, Mr. Fisher possibly going to Washington as the Commonwealth's first representative there.

AUSTRALIA'S RESOURCES.

London, January 20.
Reuter's correspondent at Sydney says that the State Cabinet has decided to hold a conference on Tuesday to consider subsidising stock-raising for wheat production.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

RUSSO-GERMAN PEACE DISCUSSION.

A Wordy Duel Interrupted.

London, January 19.
The wordy duel at Brest-Litovsk, long accounts of which have been issued by both sides, has been temporarily interrupted. The Russian delegates returned to Petrograd yesterday.

The Point at Issue.

London, January 19.
The Russian version of the Brest-Litovsk negotiations confirms the report that so far the chief point of dispute is how the occupied territories shall self-determine their future.

The enemy continues to maintain that the presently-constituted authorities in the occupied territories are fully entitled to exercise the right of self-determination. The Russians refuse to budge from the opposite standpoint and demand evacuation by foreign troops, the return of the deported inhabitants and then popular elections on the question of destiny.

TRADE COMMISSIONER TO INDIA.

Appointment of Mr. T. M. Ainscough.

London, January 20.
Sir Arthur Stanley has appointed Mr. T. M. Ainscough as senior Trade Commissioner of India, with headquarters in Calcutta, whither he is proceeding almost immediately. Mr. Ainscough was Special Missioner of the Board of Trade to China in 1914. Latterly he has been Secretary to the Board of Trade Textile Committee and the Empire Cotton Growing Committee.

DRASTIC MILITARY CHANGES.

Sir Douglas Haig's New Chief of Staff.

London, January 19.
The *Times* states that Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig is making drastic changes, including the appointment of Major General Sir Herbert Lawrence as his Chief of Staff.

AMERICA'S NEW WAR COUNCIL.

London, January 19.
Reuter's correspondent at Washington states that a Bill creating a War Council of three civilians is to be introduced in the Senate on Monday.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

MR. LLOYD GEORGE ON PEACE.

London, January 19.
Continuing his address to representatives of Trade Unions, Mr. Lloyd George emphasised the difficulty of deciding when it was desirable to enter a peace conference without putting our heads into a noose. He was convinced that a conference at present would aggravate and not improve matters.

A delegate asked whether President Wilson's reference to the freedom of the seas accorded with the views of the British Government?

The Premier replied emphasising that Britain was in a very different position from America or any continental country. We must guard very carefully against any attempt to interfere with our capacity to protect our shores, shipping and overseas communications.

A delegate asked what was meant by reconsideration of the position of Alsace Lorraine?

The Premier replied that the British people would stand by France, who considered peace impossible till the question of Alsace Lorraine was settled.

GERMANY AND RUSSIAN ROYAL FAMILY.

London, January 19.
The *Novaya Jasn* states that the German peace delegation requested that the ex-Empress and some other members of the ex-Imperial family who are related to the Kaiser be permitted to travel. Germany's request, which was categorically refused, caused the decision to bring them to trial immediately.

THE WESTERN FRONT.

London, January 19.
Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports: We carried out several successful raids last night and this morning at Neuve Chapelle and southward of Lens. Four hostile aeroplanes were brought down and one driven down yesterday. None of ours are missing.

BRITISH PROGRESS IN PALESTINE.

London, January 19.
A Palestine official message states: Our line was carried forward yesterday to the depth of one mile on a four mile front in the neighbourhood of Durah, twelve miles north of Jerusalem.

THE MAN-POWER CONFERENCE.

London, January 19.
Official correspondence shows that the Amalgamated Society of Engineers declined to participate in the Man Power Conference. The Government has declined to consult it separately.

FIXING THE PRICE OF FISH.

London, January 19.
The Food Controller has fixed the maximum retail price of fish.

TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to The "Telegraph.")

THE SILVER MARKET.

London, January 19.
The silver market is quiet.

YESTERDAY'S TELEGRAMS.

AN EXTENDED NATIONAL REGISTER.

London, Jan. 18.
In the House of Commons, moving the second reading of the National Registration Amendment Bill, Mr. Hayes Fisher explained that it provided for the registration of 750,000 lads between 15 and 17 who are at present unregistered and who are most useful industrially. It also proposed to register sailors and soldiers so that thousands of disabled men might be utilised to the fullest extent industrially. The Food Controller could also obtain much information from the new register, which would also apply to many vital statistics.

AFTER 25 YEARS.

A Pocketbook that Came Back.

An elderly man entered the West 177th Street police station at New York recently and handed Lieut. McKenna a bulky envelope, asking that it be sent to Arthur Woods, Police Commissioner. The envelope was sealed, and the Lieutenant asked the man what was in it. The man said there was \$1,028 in the envelope, and that he wanted it to be turned over to the Police Commissioner. "In 1892 or 1893," said the man, "I was walking along Central Park West and near the old Dunland's Hiding Academy I found a pocketbook containing \$400 in bills. I needed money badly at that time and kept it. Since then I have prospered, and my conscience has troubled me. So I have figured out that \$1,200 would be the principle and interest for twenty five years. I want to see if the Commissioner can locate the owner, and if not, I want it turned over to the Police Pension Fund."

He said he was Hyalman Helderberg, of 461 West 18th Street, and that he was superintendent of a number of apartment houses. The money was counted by the Lieutenant, a receipt given, and the money forwarded to the property clerk at Police Headquarters. It will remain there for six months awaiting a claimant, before being turned over to the Pension Fund.

DON'T FORGET.

TO-DAY.
"Court Cards" at Theatre Royal.—8.15 p.m.
Victoria Theatre.—9.15 p.m.
Bijou Theatre.—9.15 p.m.
New Hongkong Cinematograph.—9.15 p.m.

TO-MORROW.
Victoria Theatre.—9.15 p.m.
Bijou Theatre.—9.15 p.m.
New Hongkong Cinematograph.—9.15 p.m.

Tuesday, January 20.
West Point Building Co., Ltd. Meeting of Shareholders at 11.30 a.m.—Hongkong Central Estate, Ltd. Meeting of Shareholders at 11.45 a.m.—Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd. Meeting of Shareholders at 12.15 p.m.—Hongkong Navigation Co., Ltd. Meeting of Shareholders at 12.15 p.m.

GENERAL NEWS.

Rumanians in Shanghai.

There are at present in Shanghai five Rumanians, who have succeeded in crossing Russia to Shanghai on their way to offer their services to the French Government. They originally went to Tientsin and there desired to enlist in the French army, but, this not being possible, they are now on their way to Indo China where they will enlist in the Foreign Legion. One of the party is a Rumanian aviator, and the others were students in Rumania.

Excess Profits Duty Decisions.

A recent London *Gazette* contains several decisions of the Board of Referees in connection with applications for an increase in the statutory percentage allowed under the Excess Profits Duty provisions of the Finance Act. The businesses dealt with are oil production in Persia, wolfram mining in Portugal, the manufacture of silks, marine salvage, coal mining in Bengal, antimony mining and smelting in Mexico, and wattle growing in Natal. In each case the application for increased rates was granted.

Husband As Usurer.

At Old-street Police Court a woman told Mr. Wilberforce that out her allowance of 22s. 6d. a week her husband stopped 2s. 6d. for his dinners. She had five children under 14, and last winter borrowed £2 from her husband to buy them boots and clothes. This amount she repaid with 8s. interest. Since then she had periodically borrowed small sums from him for a similar purpose, and he was now stopping 8s. weekly as principal and interest. When she told him that she could not keep things going on 14s. he threatened her with a poker. A summons was granted.

Coal Examiners and Recognition.

Sir Richard Redmayne, on behalf of the Coal Controller, was recently in the chair at a conference of representatives of South Wales Coalowners and the South Wales Coal Examiners' Association. The conference was convened to consider the question of the recognition of the association by the owners. The owners had already agreed to give recognition under certain conditions, but this was not acceptable to the men. The conference proved abortive, and it is understood that the men have decided to return to Cardiff today to discuss the position further.

Spurious Russian Money.

Much spurious Russian money is in circulation in Russia, says Commerce and Finance. It seems that prior to the war the ruble bank notes that were in circulation in Russia had been printed in Berlin by a German Lithographing Co. After war was declared this company found itself in possession of the plates from which these notes were printed. They were commandeered by the German Government which it is said, has ordered an enormous quantity of new Russian money to be printed from them. This money has been used for the bribery of Russian soldiers and officers, thus enabling Germany to carry on her work of corruption without expense. The notes so issued being undistinguishable from those already in use have found their way into circulation and it is feared that their existence may lead to the wholesale repudiation of all the ruble notes outstanding in Russia.

The Oldest Harrobian Serving.

Inquiry has been made with a view to discovering the oldest Harrobian on active service. It was announced some months ago that Colonel A. Spink O.M.G. who went to Harrow in 1887, claimed the honour. Afterwards Lieutenant General Sir E. Locke K.C.B., D.S.O., who entered the school in 1884, was awarded the honour; but soon after the publication of this decision in the *Times* it was announced that the distinction belonged to Lieutenant Colonel J.A.L. Montgomery, O.S.I., who was at Harrow in 1863. The Harrobian now states that the oldest Harrobian on active service is Colonel G.M. Reid, D.S.O., who went to Harrow in 1862. He is in command of a Labour Battalion at the front.

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GENERAL NEWS.

Flight Commander R. Graham.

Flight Commander R. Graham, D.S.O. and bar, D.S.O. formerly of Yokohama and now of the Royal Naval Air Service, has carried out five night bombing raids and brought down three enemy sea-planes.

Death of an Antiquary.

The death has taken place at Dunstable of Mr. Worthington George Smith, F.L.S., aged 82 years, an antiquary and geologist of repute, and author of several works, including "Man the Primeval Savage." Mr. Smith was the discoverer and translator of the charter granted to Dunstable by King Henry I. He was the first freeman of the borough of Dunstable, and wrote a history of the town. In 1902 the King awarded him an annual grant in recognition of his valuable services to antiquarian and geological research.

Women's Air-Raid Claim.

At a London County Court twelve women had entered a claim against their employer for an award under the Workmen's Compensation Act for injuries received as a result of the air raid on June 13. Their case was that when they resumed their work as capmakers after the raid their hands came into contact with some powder from a bomb which had exploded near by. This powder had got on to the cloth and they contracted dermatitis, which incapacitated them for some time. It was intimated that an admission of liability had been received and a settlement arrived at.

Farm Labourer's Hard Lot.

Alderman William George, brother of the Prime Minister, addressing a meeting of the National Farmers' Union at Orisford, said that one of the Union's objects was to improve the lot of the agricultural labourer, which in these days was very hard indeed. He knew of a farm labourer who had a wife and seven children, and whose wages were only 18s. a week. Three of that poor man's children had been kept from school for a month simply because their father was unable to provide them with boots. It was impossible for a man to give his best to his country under such conditions.

AVIATION AFTER THE WAR.

Use of Airplanes in Delivery of Mails.

Washington, December 11.—Dr. W. F. Durand, chairman of the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics, today issued a statement on the origin, scope, and plans of the new Civil Aerial Transport Committee, which superseded with wide scope the original Aerial Mail Service Committee authorized on December 7, 1916.

"The future of aviation," said Dr. Durand, "is of vital importance even at the present time, because upon it depends very largely the future of the thousands of men now going into the air service, the millions of dollars allotted to it by Congress and by industry, and in general, the possibility of salvaging the present investment in aviation expressed in terms of human energy, skilled workmen, trained aviators, time, and capital."

"What, for instance, are we going to do after the war with the thousands of fliers and of planes on hand, with the factories tuned up for vast quantities of production, and with the great training schools and fields with their capacity for turning out aviators? So far as humanly possible, plans should now be laid looking toward the utilization of all these as the nucleus of a future aviation development which will serve to open up a new avenue for man's activities and enormously widen his vision and capabilities. Already planes have been built to carry 25 passengers; to travel at a speed of 150 miles an hour; to ascend 41 miles into the air; to cover 910 miles without a stop, as against the longest non-stop distance across the Atlantic of 1,195 miles from New Foundland to the Azores."

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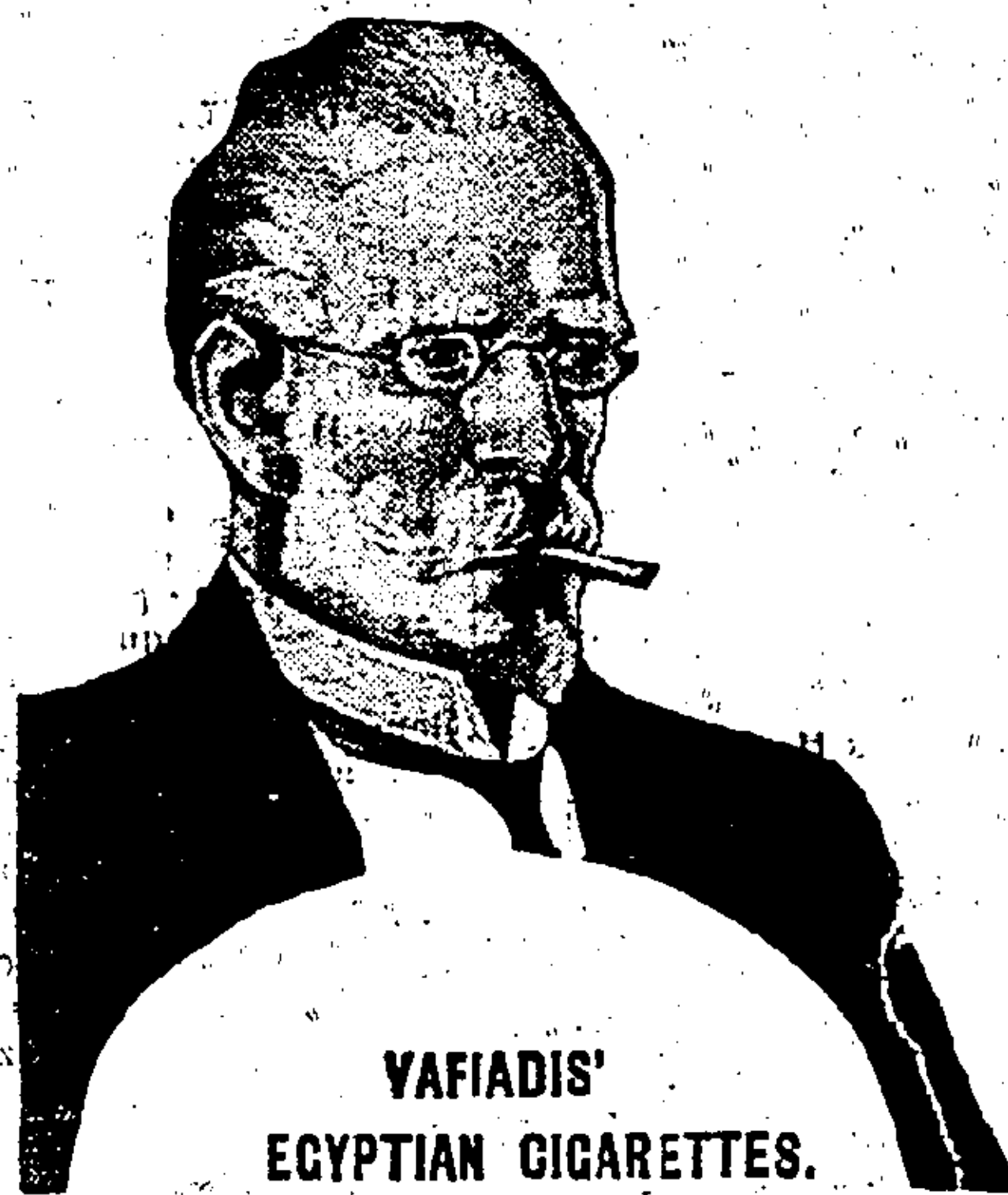
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"One of the most important of the many problems pressing for consideration is the human use of what is to become a constraint. Not only will these men deserve well of their country, but in self-interest the country must safeguard a skill which is both rare and costly. They not only deserve opportunities for further service in peaceful vocations, but it is an economic necessity that they should have the opportunity of continuing to serve along lines which will secure some return on the national investment which they represent. There will be many such lines of service, whether in the army, in aerial, mail, coast guard, air policing, scientific investigation, or in the training of new aviators."

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The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, JANUARY 21, 1918.

THE ANGLO-DUTCH DISPUTE.

Not for the first time during the war, trouble has arisen between Britain and Holland. It will be recalled that the last dispute between the two countries was over the matter of food and gravel reaching the enemy forces in Belgium, the circumstances in connection with which were not altogether to the credit of a nation professing to observe neutrality as between the belligerents. Now comes a rather more pointed difference in the demand of the Dutch Minister for compensation for the loss of two steamers torpedoed by the Germans, which demand is contested by Britain. This has resulted in a deadlock, neither side being willing, apparently, to give way.

The Dutch claim, it seems, is based on the point that the lost vessels were compelled to proceed to a British port when voyaging from French West Africa, a requirement which was no doubt wise and expedient for many reasons, and insistence on which was quite within the right of the British Government. It was doubtless taken in order that our right to search the vessels might be exercised, for there has been ample evidence in the past to show that neutral vessels have been largely instrumental in providing Germany with supplies which the British blockade is designed to keep out. But, whatever the reason for Britain's action, it is surely stretching the point a little too far to expect that we shall bear the cost of vessels sunk in an illegal manner by German submarines. In the course of her campaign of piracy, Germany has never shown any scruples as to the manner in which neutral vessels have been attacked and sunk. Of the hundreds of neutral ships which have been sent to the bottom of the sea, a big proportion have been sunk without any warning whatever, and many are the lives of neutral seamen which have been sacrificed in this way. That, of course, is a distinct breach of international law, which lays it down that before any vessel is sunk (even if it flies the flag of a belligerent) due care shall be taken for the safety of those on board. But that is a point which the Hun pirates have never bothered to observe. Their whole campaign has been one of gross illegality and brutality, and for any neutral sufferer to look to Britain to foot the bill for the loss of ships sunk by the Germans is absurdly irregular. That is why Mr. Balfour is so insistent in denying liability in the cases which have now arisen.

In his correspondence with the Dutch Minister on the subject, Mr. Balfour justifiably points to the attitude of partiality shown by Holland, which he describes as being inconsistent with neutrality. That partiality is revealed in the fact that Holland does not protest to the nation which is guilty of the illegality which results in the loss of Dutch vessels, but yet sees fit to present claims against Britain in connection therewith. That is indeed strange behavior by what Mr. Balfour describes as "a professedly friendly Power." Discrimination of this sort is scarcely evidence of friendship, and it certainly provides sufficient ground for thinking that the Dutch are either more sympathetically disposed towards the Germans than they should be as neutrals, or that they fear to rouse the anger of the Huns. We have always admitted that Holland is in a position, geographically, which makes her situation far from enviable, but that is no reason why she should not shape her actions on strictly neutral lines. Britain has no desire to quarrel with any nation without just cause, and certainly she has no grudge against Holland. But she has a right to expect that neutral countries shall show by their acts that they are what they profess to be. And in view of the attitude of differentiation which Holland has taken up on this submarine question, the British Government may be pardoned for thinking that there is room for some change in the direction of fairly and consistency.

Straight, Strong and to the Point.

Mr. Lloyd George's address to the representatives of the Trade Unions effected by the Man-Power Bill, reads like a homely little chat, but, nevertheless, it is one of the most serious statements our Prime Minister has ever made. There is nothing reminiscent of "limbous" about this little speech. It is quiet in tone and artless in construction. It had as its one and only object, the convincing, in a practical way, of a body of men who are practical to the core. It is certain to achieve its object, for it is straight, strong and logical. Like most of Mr. Lloyd George's public utterances, it contains several very striking expressions, which are none the less effective because of the fact that they happily illustrate the point under discussion. Referring to our "moderate demands," he says "Go to Hindenburg with them and try to cash that cheque at the Hindenburg Bank." Thus strikingly, the Prime Minister states that unless we are able to compel the Germans to accept our demands, they will not be accepted. Hence the necessity for the further power the Government asks through the provisions of the Man-Power Bill. "You might as well stop fighting unless you are going to do it well" and "If there are men who say they won't go into the trenches, the men in the trenches will have the right to say 'Neither will we remain here.'" These are two more of the Prime Minister's illuminating phrases in this address, which is in every way a convincing and well-reasoned statement.

The Premier's Hecklers.

It appears from one of the later telegrams that the Premier was "considerably heckled" regarding the objections to an international workers' conference apart from the Government. Mr. Lloyd George had been explaining what should need no explanation to fair-minded folk, namely, that peace can only be made with a Government and not by political sections. With many Labour representatives, it has been rather a sore point that the Government has adopted this attitude, and some of the Prime Minister's auditors, it is evident, were still hugging this irritating delusion to their souls, with quite obvious effects upon their judgment. What is a Government for, if not for such a purpose, among the many it is called upon to perform? Some of our political sections seem to take themselves too seriously. Certain it is that the vast majority of the British people would much rather have a Government—particularly one with so truly great a leader as Mr. Lloyd George—unquestionably represent them in peace discussions, or any other kind of discussion, than any section, no matter how important they believed themselves to be, or how well-fitted they considered themselves for a particular kind of negotiation. The fact seems to be that the Labourites are suffering—just a little may be—from something akin to "swelled head," which, of course, is fatal to clear thinking and sound judgment.

The Peace Negotiations.

What is exactly good the Russians or anybody else expect to come from the peace discussions at Brest-Litovsk, we cannot imagine. Once again we are informed that the words "duel" has been interrupted, the point of dispute being the question of the manner in which the peoples of occupied territories shall determine their destiny. The Germans want the issue to be decided now, while they are in control and are thus able to bring pressure to bear on the inhabitants, so as to secure a decision in Germany's favour. The Russians naturally want the German troops out of the way, the return of the deported people and their open voting on the subject. The two attitudes are irreconcilable. Meanwhile, Mr. Trotsky himself says the Germans are deliberately distorting the proceedings in order to mislead their own people. Then what possible advantage can there be in protracting the farce any longer? Germany is simply playing with Russia, and it is about time the Russians realised the fact.

DAY BY DAY.

THERE IS IN THE WORST OF FORTUNES THE BEST CHANCES FOR A HAPPY CHANGE.

To-morrow's Anniversary. To-morrow is the 17th anniversary of the death of Queen Victoria.

The Dollar. The opening rate of the dollar on demand to-day was 2s. 11½d. The closing rate will be found on Page 1.

Rubber Dividend. Messrs. Benjamin and Potts advise us that the Belgovine Rubber Estates, Limited, have declared a second interim of 80 per cent. for the year ending 31st March, 1918, paid on the 15th instant.

Opium Dross. Whilst walking in Connaught Road Central yesterday, a Chinese was arrested with eleven tins of opium dross in his possession. He was charged before Mr. J. R. Wood, at the Police Court this morning, and fined \$75, or one month's hard labour.

Union Church Guild. The next meeting of the Union Church Guild will be held on Wednesday the 23rd inst., when the Hon. Mr. Oland Severn, C.M.G., will deliver a second lecture on British Malaya, entitled "Forty Years Development in the Malay States." This lecture will be open to the public.

Trade Openings. A Trade Inquiry list issued by the American Consulate General, Hongkong, shows that American concerns are seeking connections in rebuilt typewriters, typewriter tables and re-inkers; chemicals, dyes, colours, waxes, etc.; shoes for women; over-issue newspapers; children's dresses; copper, brass and bronze goods; cassia; general representation; coconut oil, peanut oil and shelled peanuts; Essential automobile product.

Caught in a Pawnshop. A Chinese entrusted a gold chain to a jeweller for repair, and the jeweller gave it to another man to execute the work. Instead of doing the work, the man decided to pawn the chain and persuaded another man to take it to the pawnshop. Here it happened that Detective Sergeant Ingheim saw what was going on and arrested the man on suspicion. The sequel was that both men were charged before Mr. Dyer Ball, at the Magistrate's Court this morning, when sentence of one month's hard labour was passed on each.

"A Deliberate Attempt." What Inspector Kent described as a deliberate attempt to export silver dollars, formed the subject of a charge before Mr. Dyer Ball, at the Magistrate's Court this morning, a cook employed on the s.s. Wing On, being charged with attempting to export \$390 in silver. The man was arrested whilst going on board, but stoutly claimed that he had no money on him. When the man was searched by Inspector Kent at the Police Station the dollars were found carefully packed in a girdle. He was bailed out by friends for \$300. His Worship thought the case a serious one and besides ordering the confiscation of the dollars, imposed a fine of \$100, or one month's hard labour.

Tobacco Smuggling. The extent to which tobacco is being smuggled into Hongkong just now, from Kongsmoon, was referred to at the Police Court this morning, when a Chinese was charged, before Mr. Dyer Ball, with smuggling ten cartons of Chinese tobacco, the duty payable on this being \$130. There was a charge of unlawfully possessing lottery tickets. The man admitted possession in both cases, but claimed that he did not know the law, although Revenue Officer Lunnigan stated that the man had been working on the boats for some time past. The Revenue Officer also stated that a lot of smuggling was going on and it was only the other day that he seized 150,000 cigarettes (of the same sort, but could not find the owner). His Worship fined a fine of \$50, or one month's hard labour, for the smuggling offence and a similar fine, with the same option for the possession of the lottery tickets.

HONGKONG UNIVERSITY.

St. John's Hall Annual Dinner.

The second annual dinner in connection with St. John's Hall (Hongkong University) was held on Friday evening last, when 60 students and friends assembled. The Warden (Rev. C. B. Shann) presided and the guests included the Bishop of Victoria, Mr. J. R. Wood, Professors Hinton and Earle, Messrs. Marley and Redmond, Rev. G. E. S. Updell &c.

In proposing "St. John's Hall," the Bishop said he believed the first steps for the promotion of St. John's Hall were taken in Liverpool just after Sir F. Legard had mooted the idea of the Hongkong University. The Bishop's friends were invited to contribute to the building of the Hostel which Sir Frederick had suggested to the Church Missionary Society might very well be opened to extend the influence amongst their students from St. Stephen's and St. Paul's Colleges. The result had been the beginning of an effort which had resulted in the completion of their present building. He would remind them of the very keen interest Sir F. Legard took in that Hall and how he felt it would have a very important part to play and be an integral part of the University; in fact Sir Frederick went to Liverpool and spoke at a very large public meeting in the interest of St. John's Hall. The Bishop thought the Hall had been extremely fortunate in the gentlemen who had been appointed by the C.M.S. to be Warden, from time to time. To be head of such a place required a man of excellent qualifications and they were fortunate in their present Warden who was doing an excellent work. Reference was made to the Rev. E. W. L. Martin who for a time had been Acting Warden and who had now gone to render service to his country in the present great conflict. China, the Bishop said, needed men of good education and men of fixed principles: men also of high integrity and he believed that St. John's Hall was doing no small part in training such men for the welfare of the country and the good of the world. (Applause.)

The Rev. C. B. Shann replied. The toast of "The Visitors" was submitted in happy vein by Mr. Tay Gan Tin and replied to in a humorous speech by Professor Hinton. During the evening, Chinese and European music was submitted and much enjoyed. Mr. Faulkner was responsible for an effective lighting scheme.

"THE COURT CARDS." A Happy Evening at the Theatre Royal.

Mr. Edgar Warwick and his "Court Cards" were welcomed by a fairly large audience at the Theatre Royal on Saturday night, on their return to the Colony after a successful tour in North China and Japan. As usual, an entertaining programme was submitted. It comprised many of the Company's well-known and pleasing items and several that were quite new. Mr. George Titchener was in great form, and amused everybody by his genuinely funny and clever entertainment. He is quite a host in himself. It was good to see Mr. Warwick once more the Joker of the Pack. It will be remembered that, on their last visit, this part was taken by another comedian, now no longer with the Company. One also missed Mr. Leslie Burman, the Company's baritone, who, we understand, has now "joined up." The three ladies of the Company—Miss Vio Parsons, Miss Dorothy Grace and Miss E. Wins Palmer—make a very charming trio. Highly talented and exceedingly chic, they had no difficulty in delighting everybody in the audience. Mr. Keate, the Company's pianist, is exceedingly useful, being ready to be a vocalist, dancer and accompanist as required.

The Company provides an enjoyable entertainment, for which one ought to be grateful in these hard times.

TAMMANY MAYOR OF NEW YORK.

A Sweeping Victory For Mr. Hylan.

New York, Nov. 7.—Tammany came back into power yesterday at the city elections, with an unprecedented plurality. Mr. Hylan was elected Mayor by 295,000 votes, against 148,600 for the Fusionist candidate, Mr. Mitchell, 140,000 for the Socialist, Mr. Hillquit, and 52,000 for the Republican, Mr. Bennett. Tammany will not only control the Mayor's office for the next four years, but Mr. Hylan also carried to victory all the other principal municipal officials and the Presidents of all the five boroughs. There will not be any opposition at all to Tammany on the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, which has full authority over all the city's expenditures.

Politicians are astonished at the conclusiveness of Mr. Hylan's success. The betting odds were three to one in his favour, but it was not anticipated that he would poll double the vote cast for Mr. Mitchell. Efforts to explain the result centre round Mr. Mitchell's effort to make a partisan issue of America's participation in the war. It is now generally admitted that it was a mistake for the Fusionists to pretend that they alone of New York City's great population were patriotically supporting the President in the war. Great resentment was shown by voters generally at Mr. Mitchell's characterisation of all the supporters of Mr. Hylan as pro-German. This charge was not only untrue, but is now shown to have been one of the worst political blunders in New York's history.

Thus the New York Times, which lent itself to furthering the idea that Mr. Mitchell was the candidate of New York's patriotic population, says this morning:—"Germany will greatly rejoice over the result and misinterpret it as usual. New York City's great contributions to the support of the Government in carrying on the war in money, counsel, and service have been given, without thought of personal reward, through pure patriotism and will be continued in unstinted measure."

One result of the emphasis placed on patriotism in the campaign, however, has been to draw from the politicians full expressions of loyalty to the United States. Mr. Hylan promises complete support for all Mr. Wilson's war policies, and even Mr. Hearst has been led to give an assurance of his patriotism.

The pro-German vote among German-Americans did not go to Mr. Hylan, but was captured by Mr. Hillquit. There is no inclination in New York to show any easiness over Mr. Hillquit's strength, which at most represents many diverse interests, ranging from pro-Germanism and Russian Maximalist Socialism to the disgruntled anti-Socialists, who voted for Mr. Hillquit to register their disapproval of the manner in which Mr. Wilson entered the war.

Elsewhere throughout the country the Socialist campaign went to ignominious defeat. In Chicago, where the Socialists made an anti-war campaign in the fight for the judicial ticket, they were defeated by a three-to-one vote. The cities in Ohio and New York State all rejected the Socialist candidates running as anti-war candidates. In Buffalo, which has a strong German-American population, the Democratic Mayor, Mr. Fahrman, was defeated and the Republicans returned to power after an absence of 12 years. Women's suffrage was carried in New York State, but lost in Ohio. New York is the thirteenth State to give votes to women, and this is taken as a sign of good luck by the suffragists, who predict that, with the "thirteenth State" won, victory in the whole country will soon follow. (Times.)

Alice Memorial Hospital. The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donation to the funds of the Hospitals:—Park Guild (Central), \$90.

TO-DAY'S MISCELLANY.

Christ Church, Newgate-street, where the "Founder's Day" service of Christ's Hospital recently included an intercession for "the souls of the fallen," is the burial place of the famous Nonconformist divine, Richard Baxter, author of "The Saint's Rest." A vastly different cleric from Baxter, buried near the pulpit, was James Royer, the flapping headmaster of Christ's Hospital in the school-days of Coleridge and Lamb. It was of him that Coleridge said: "It was lucky the cherubim who took him to heaven were nothing but faces and wings, or he would infallibly have fluffed them by the way."

There is a prophecy, with a date attached to it, which we may see come true at last. William Lithgow, in "The Total Disclosure of the Bare Adventures and Painful Persecutions of Long Nineteen Years Travels," which he published in 1632, records a prophecy about Constantine: "We may observe some fatal contraries in one and the same name: For Philip, the Father of Alexander, layd the first foundation of the Macedonian Monarchy, and Philip, the Father of Perseus, ruined it. So was this Towne built by a Constantine, the Sonne of one Helena, a Gregory being Patriarch; and was lost by a Constantine, the Sonne of a Helena, a Gregory being also Patriarch. The Turkes have a Prophecy, that so it was wonne by a Mahomet, so it shall be lost by a Mahomet." It scarcely needs to be added that the name of the present Sultan in Constantinople is Mahomet—the Fifth.

More will doubtless be heard of Judge Graham's decision at Bow County Court that employers are liable for injuries caused to their workers during air raids on the ground that workers are exposed to risks because they happen to be in a particular place by their employers' order. Their risk, in other words, is not a "common" one, and an air raid is not, like lightning, an "act of God." This decision is in direct conflict with that of the Hartlepool engine-driver who claimed compensation from the North-Eastern Railway Co. for injuries received during the bombardment of that town by the Germans. The County Court Judge held that he was exposed to no greater risk than the general public, and on Nov. 25, 1915, the Court of Appeal upheld this view, the Master of the Rolls remarking that no doubt many of the persons injured were doing their duty at the time and it would be straining the law to hold that employers were liable to pay compensation under these circumstances. The appeal was therefore dismissed. Perhaps a differently constituted Court of Appeal will uphold Judge Graham's decision, in which case there must surely be a final judgment by the House of Lords.

The Rheinische Zeitung, of Cologne, says that early the other morning the portals of every cafe and restaurant in that city were found adorned with posters bearing the following: "Instructions to Fuzzled Cocks."—"Take the butter card, stew it down with the meat card, and add the egg card. In a separate saucepan cook the potato and vegetable cards together, and when done, add these to the stew. For dessert, warm up the potato card, add the milk card, sweeten with sugar card, and bake with it the bread and biscuit cards. Then wash your hands with the soap card, and wipe them dry with the table-linen voucher."—And yet some people maintain that the situation in Hunland is not serious!

If John Forster had had his way, Charles Dickens would have come down to us smooth-tipped and beardless. He commissioned Frith to paint the author's portrait, and then suddenly Dickens grew a moustache, which Forster hated. "It is a whim, it will pass," said he to the artist. They waited four years, and in that time Dickens added a beard to his chin. Thereupon Frith was bidden make haste with his work lest the great man should leave still less of the best of his painted.

ANOTHER PIRACY.

Junk Seized and Owners Left on Island.

A case of piracy has been reported during the week-end to the Police by the master of a fishing junk, working in the Tai Ho district.

The master states that on January 17 he left Tai Ho with a cargo of fish, valued at \$800, with the intention of going to Macao. When he was off Chinese territory, another large junk came alongside, and the men on board this shot at him to stop. The junk made fast to his with ropes, and two men came aboard, both being armed with revolvers. He was made to follow the large junk, during which time the pirates ransacked the junk, but only succeeded in finding some clothing valued at \$10. When off Tai Ho, he and his men were sent ashore in a small boat and left on the island, while the pirates sailed away with his junk and their own. He and the others were forced to spend the night on the hillside, but early next morning managed to hail a passing fishing junk and thus got back to Tai Ho.

The junk was valued at \$200, and the total value of the junk, fish and clothing is \$1,010.

THE CINEMAS.

What the Picture Houses are Offering.

This afternoon, at 5.15, the Victoria Theatre has a big attraction, for "Qao Vadio" is to be screened. This magnificent picture is in seven parts, and it is rightly regarded as a masterpiece of film. For to-night there is a splendid programme, including the third and fourth episodes of "The Great Secret," as well as Pathe's popular British Gazette and a number of comedies.

The Hongkong Theatre will have a very fine picture showing to-night, in "Gloria's Romance," which will feature Miss Billie Burke. This is a very beautiful serial film and has been secured at great cost. There will also be shown some very funny Keystone comedies.

"The Gray Ghost" is attracting big audiences at the Bijou Theatre, where the 13th and 14th episodes will be screened to-night. The final series will be shown on Wednesday. To-night's programme will also include some most interesting comedies.

HORACE GOLDIN.

Famous Conjuror to Visit Hongkong.

Horace Goldin, the famous conjuror and illusionist, is to open a short season of five nights at the Victoria Theatre on the 29th inst. when no doubt there will be a crowded house to welcome back this clever performer, who is already well-known to Hongkong audiences.

Commenting on a recent performance in Manila, the *Daily Bulletin* describes it as "a perfect sight of magical doings." The journal says:—"It is only because his numerous assistants were to look after the professor's discarded implements, but to the immense audience it was a sort of merry chase to follow the quick succession of surprising happenings and manipulations due to the skill of Goldin. Coming to the series which Goldin styles his Twentieth Century Illusions, it might be unfair to the artist to speak in too much detail, for these must be seen to be appreciated. But the climax of mystery comes in the Moorish phantasy play 'The Tiger God,' as written and produced by Goldin, based on certain original experiences, it is said. It would not be meet to describe 'The Tiger God' without a mention of 'Lily,' the live Bengal tigress, who in utter naturalness plays as good a part, nor to omit an adequate notice of Miss Barbara Babington as Frida, who throughout the pantomime play alternately admired and pitied. Miss Babington was heard in a single introductory to the magic performance, and this charming vocalist received encores after encores.

TO-DAY'S NEW ADVERTISEMENT

THEATRE HONKONG. ROYAL.

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SATURDAY, 2nd & THURSDAY, 7th February, 1918.
AT 9.15 P.M.

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FIRST CONCERT

SATURDAY, 2nd. FEBRUARY, 1918.

PROGRAMME

PART I.

- 1.—Sonata A. Major *Caesar Franck*,
A. MIROVITCH AND M. PIASTRO.
- 2.—Concerto D. Major *Paganini-Wilhelmj*,
M. PIASTRO.
- 3.—(a.) Two Etudes E. Major *Chopin*,
C. Minor }
(b.) Fantasia F. Minor }
- 4.—(a.) Nocturne D. Minor *Chopin-Wilhelmj*,
(b.) Zapateado *Sarasate*,
M. PIASTRO.
- 5.—(a.) Hark, Hark the Lark *Schubert Liszt*,
(b.) The Erlking
(c.) Rhapsodie No. II *Liszt*,
A. MIROVITCH.

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CANTON NEWS.

Our Canton correspondent writes under date of January 20 as follows:—

The inauguration ceremony of the Law Protection Union Bureau was performed on the 20th inst. in the Tachun's yamen. High officials, both civil and military, some members of the Provincial Assembly and the Special Parliament, leaders of many parties (including Wa Tung-Fung and Ching Pit-kwong) and also a number of representatives from other Provinces were present. After all had been sworn in, a decision was passed to wire all Provinces to send representatives to attend the subsequent meetings.

Sun Yat-sen and Chan King-ming have wired to Tong Chi-yan, Tachun of Yunnan, stating that the Central Government does not intend to reach a settlement and requesting him to clear out the Northern troops in Szachuen and then come to Hunan to meet the armies there. Commander Lam Fu, with four battalions, has started for Yan Ping and Hoi Ping to bar the way for Lung's troops. Severe fighting is expected in a few days.

Sun Yat-sen has strongly protested against the proposal made by the authorities of other provinces to have the Special Parliament moved to Nanking, on the ground that the Military Government was created by the Parliament and cannot be separated from it.

A report has reached Canton to the effect that Lung's troops seized Fa Yuen district city on the 17th, after several successful actions. As many fires occur during the winter season every year, the Commissioner of Customs has proposed to the Civil Governor that fire fleets should be built. The annual expenditure is estimated at \$30,000.

Prize Day.

The Hon. Mr. H. E. and Mrs. Pollock are to distribute the prizes at St. Joseph's College on Saturday, at 4 p.m.

Concealed Copper.

A Chinese employee of the Tailco Dock was found on Saturday trying to pass through the gate with a quantity of copper concealed in his pocket, and he accordingly found himself charged before Mr. J. B. Wood, at the Police Court this morning. He admitted the theft and was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour and four hours' stocks.

DO YOU FEEL OLD?

If you feel a growing dissatisfaction with life and ill health seems to threaten you without the symptoms of any specific disease showing, your nerves are probably under-nerfed because your blood is thin.

Take a moment to examine your own case. Have you lost the ability to make a quick decision and take prompt action whenever necessary, or do you worry and hesitate in indecision and consume an undue amount of time over things that you used to do quickly? Are you prematurely old?

Don't let the arteries in your brain get hard. Don't let thin blood starve your nervous system. Proper diet for the first, and a good tonic, Dr. Williams' pink pills, for the second, are what you need. Act promptly, for little ills grow into serious diseases; start a course of Dr. Williams' pink pills for pale people and see how soon your appetite improves and the feeling of weakness is dispelled. Any dealer can supply you with these pills, or send \$1.50 for a bottle, \$3.00 for six, to the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., 98 Seachuen Road, Shanghai.

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Railway Theft.

A very unimportant case was charged before Mr. J. B. Wood, at the Magistrate's Court this morning, with the theft of two iron pile-heads from the Kwloon-Canton Railway. The man was found stealing the articles by an Indian watchman, and it was stated by Mr. Byrde that such a lot of materials had been stolen lately that the management had found it necessary to reorganize the watchmen system. His Worship sentenced the defendant to six weeks' hard labour and four hours' stocks.

DAIRY FARM NEWS.

POULTRY.

OUR

HOUSE FED CAPONS

AND

CHICKENS

ARE THE BEST IN THE EAST

TENDER EATING, DELICATE FLAVOUR—TRY THEM.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

WAR DEPARTMENT CONTRACTS.

SEALED TENDERS will be received at the Headquarters Office, Victoria Barracks, Hongkong until 12 o'clock NOON on the dates stated for the under-mentioned services for a period of twelve months from 1st April, 1918:—

- Fuel and Washing, 15th February, 1918.
- Forage and Indian Supplies, 20th February, 1918.
- Meat and General Supplies "A," 22nd February, 1918.
- General Supplies "B," 23rd February, 1918.
- Hospital Supplies, 1st March, 1918.
- Barrack Services, 4th March, 1918.
- Transport Services, 5th March, 1918.

Form and other particulars may be obtained personally at the above office between the hours of 10 A.M. and 1 P.M.

CHINA MAIL S.S. CO., LTD. NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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THE S.S. "CHINA."

Having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading duly endorsed for countersignature and take immediate delivery of their cargo from ship's side, or from Co's lighters in which all the cargo is being discharged. Cargo impeding discharge will be landed at once and cargo remaining on lighters on or after 24th January 1918 will be landed at consignees' risk & expense and delivery must be taken from Co's Godown.

All cargo undelivered after MONDAY, 28th instant, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged packages, will be examined at Co's Godown, on Monday, 28th instant, at 10 a.m.

No claims will be recognised after the goods have left the ship's side, Co's lighters or Godown.

All claims against steamer must be presented on or before 13th February, 1918, otherwise they will not be recognised. No fire insurance whatever will be effected.

O. H. RITTER, Agent.
Hongkong, 22nd January, 1918.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENT.

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE NINETY-EIGHTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, Hotel Mansions, on TUESDAY, the 19th February, 1918, at 12 o'clock NOON, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend and electing Directors and Auditors.

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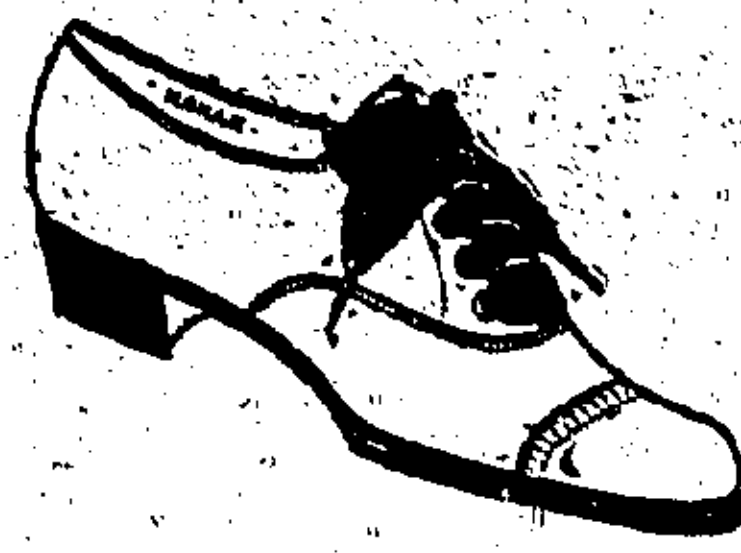
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SHANGHAI, Kobe and Yokohama...	Samo Maru Capt. Shimidzu	TUES. 5th Feb. at 11 a.m.
SHANGHAI, Kobe and Yokohama...	Siyu Maru Capt. Takano	WEDNES. 20th Feb. at 11 a.m.
NAGASAKI, Kobe and Yokohama...		
SHANGHAI, Kobe and Yokohama...	Colombo Maru Capt. Doki	T. 8,000 (SATURDAY, 26th Jan.)
SHANGHAI, Kobe and Yokohama...	Ceylon Maru Capt. Iizawa	T. 10,000 (SATURDAY, 2nd Feb.)
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Important Shipping Transfer.

The "Times" understands that negotiations have been in progress, and have now reached an advanced stage for the transfer of the London and Northern Steamship Company (Limited), which is managed by Messrs. Pyman, Watson and Co., to Messrs. W. R. Smith and Son, of Cardiff. Until the summer of last year this fleet was managed by Messrs. Pyman Brothers (Limited). It then consisted of 16 steamers, and was sold, together with all the assets at the managing interests, for rather over £2,000,000. This allowed for a return of about £55 for each Ordinary share on which from £7 to £10 was paid, and, in addition, compensation to the managers for loss of business and a payment to the directors since the transfer, however, some of the vessels have been sold, and presumably the fleet has also been reduced by losses. All the shipping transfers, which are proposed, nowadays, are not completed, and we believe that the arrangements which were under consideration for the sale of the Pyman Steamship Company, of West Hartlepool, have been brought to a stop. The managers of this company are Messrs. George Pyman and Co., which is a different firm from either of those mentioned in the preceding paragraph. It was this projected sale, which has not materialised, that prompted the issue of a circular to the shareholders in which it was estimated that the transaction would allow of a distribution of about £4 per £10 share, and the suggestion was made that the managers should receive £120,000 for loss of management.

Leave for R. N. R. Officers.

The Mercantile Marine Service Association, which recently put forward a suggestion advocating a properly regulated scheme of relief whereby shipmasters may be replaced by a relief captain at regular intervals in order to allow them an adequate respite ashore from their heavy responsibilities, have also approached the Government, inquiring whether there was any regular system of leave in operation whereby Royal Naval Reserve officers who are on service with His Majesty's vessels in the Eastern Mediterranean and Red Sea are enabled to obtain relief. Representations have reached the Association that R. N. R. officers employed in Eastern waters have not had any leave notwithstanding the fact that they have been in continuous service for a long period. A lieutenant in the Royal Naval Reserve, who is a member, recently forwarded the following appeal to the Secretary:—"I wonder if you could take any steps towards drawing the attention of My Lords Commissioners to the lot of officers who have been serving in their ships three years without a break, and as far as can be seen, with no prospect of relief? In my own case, for instance, I have been on the same ship since the outbreak of hostilities, 2½ years of that time in foreign and most trying tropical waters, without a break, and having to keep pace with Colonial expenses on the hopelessly inadequate 'home' rate of pay. This appears somewhat unfair, and as the only available resource, I am appealing to you for what assistance you can render to myself and other officers similarly placed." The council of the Association are officially informed that the exigencies of the Services seldom permit of any officer Royal Navy, Royal Naval Reserve, or Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve, being granted leave to England after twelve months' service abroad in ships in the Eastern Mediterranean and Red Sea, but that whenever possible officers are granted leave to England for any urgent private affairs. It is felt, however, by the Association that it is essential in the national interests that the limits of human endurance should not be unduly strained, and cases such as the one above should meet with special consideration. (Journal of Commerce.)

LOCAL SPORT.

SATURDAY'S FOOTBALL.

H. K. Club v. Navy.

Played on the Club Ground at 4.30 p.m. Lieut. Attwell, R.N., having charge of the game. The teams turned out as follows:—

Club: Goldenberg; Oate, McQuibbin; Baleson, Stewart, Rodgers; Goldenberg, Pasco, Gerrard, McTavish, Morrison.

Navy: Crocker; Black, Coaker; Hallonby, Biggs, Smith; Cape, Llewellyn, Clarke, Niel, Travis. In this match, the Club tried some new blood in the forward line. Play throughout was of a very even character, with the Navy having slightly the better of the opening exchanges. Llewellyn and Cape were playing well together, but the Club defence was very sound, and gave them little scope. Pasco, one of the Club's new men on trial, (late of Kowloon), came quite up to expectations, and put in some very good work. This was especially evident in the second half, when the forwards were more together. Pasco opened the scoring from a well-placed centre, giving Crocker very little chance. Shortly after, McTavish further increased the Club's lead with a goal which one would almost term a gift, as the goalie allowed the ball to dribble past him into the net. Although the Navy had slightly the better of the game, they were down two love at half-time.

The Club did most of the pressing in the second half, but they found Black in good form, and on many occasions his interception of the ball was pretty to watch. The Navy, in one of their excursions to their opponents' goal, had Cape in difficulties. He handled the ball and a penalty was awarded, from which the Navy registered their only goal. Result: Club, 2; Navy, 1.

DIVISION 1.

88th Co. R.G.A. v. Kowloon. Played on the Navy Ground and resulted in an easy win for the Gunners, by 5 goals to 1. Kowloon could not field their full team, but at the same time the Gunners were in such good form that it is doubtful whether a full team would have made much difference.

In the first half, Watson and Millington scored two each for the R.G.A. without reply from their opponents. In the second half, each side scored a goal. Hall for the R.G.A., and Jones, the R.G.A. right back, in mis-kicking, scored for Kowloon. Play was mostly confined to the Kowloon half, and it was very rare that Kowloon became dangerous. Result: 88th Co. R.G.A., 5; Kowloon, 1.

South China Athletic v. 83rd Co. R.G.A.

Played on the Navy Ground and resulted in a win for Athletic by 3 goals to 1. As usual when the Athletic are playing, a large crowd of Chinese supporters assembled to watch the game.

The Athletic started off in fine form and continued to do most of the pressing throughout the game. The Gunners put up a very fine defensive game, and when the whistle blew for half-time they were leading by 1 goal to nil. The second half was very fast, and it was quite evident that the Athletic were all out. Their efforts were rewarded with two goals in fairly quick succession, and just before time they added No. 3 for a penalty for hands. Result: Sth. China Athletic, 3; 83rd Co., 1.

LEAGUE TABLES.

Hongkong League—Division 1.

	P.W.D.L.F.A.P.
R. E.	4 4 0 0 17 1 8
R. G. A.	4 4 0 0 12 1 8
H. K. Club	8 1 3 2 7 14 4
R. Navy	4 1 3 0 5 7 2
Middlesex	6 0 4 2 3 21 2

United Services League.

	P.W.D.L.F.A.P.
Defence Corps	4 4 0 0 9 3 8
R. Engineers	2 2 0 0 8 0 4
R. Navy	4 2 2 0 8 6 4
Middlesex	3 0 3 0 2 10 0
R. G. A.	3 0 3 0 0 8 0

Hongkong League—Division 2.

	P.W.D.L.F.A.P.
88th Co. R.G.A.	9 6 1 2 26 8 14
Sth. China Ath.	7 5 1 1 13 5 11
R. E. Res.	9 3 2 4 19 15 10
87th Co. R.G.A.	8 4 3 1 14 15 9
S. Joseph's	8 4 4 0 16 12 8
Staff and Depts.	8 3 3 2 10 12 8
Kowloon	9 2 4 3 14 22 7
83rd Co. R.G.A.	8 1 6 1 9 21 3
Middlesex Res.	6 0 4 2 7 19 2

CRICKET.

Civil Service v. Royal Engineers.

Played on the Civil Service ground, resulting in a rather easy win for the home team. The latter again lost the toss, and were sent in to bat. The innings opened in lively fashion, Dixon and Goodall appearing to be quite at home, until the latter making a miss hit and being caught, retired. Wittell, Hamilton and Reynolds were cheaply disposed of, and things looked none too rosy for the Civil Servants until Bradbury joined Dixon, when the score materially increased, the latter batsman being eventually smartly snapped at the wicket for an admirable 34. With Lambie making 34 not out, the innings closed for 131, Beakes and Cripwell sharing the scalps between them. The fielding of the Sappers was excellent. McGregor and Adams opened for their side, Bird and Hamilton being entrusted with the attack. A fine catch in the outfield by Ling dismissed the Corporal—by the way, Ling's fielding is a valuable asset to his side. Waller filled the vacancy for a short period only, as did his successors, and after McGregor was well caught in the slips following a patient 14, the innings soon came to a close for 59. Bird's average of 7 for 28 recalls his old-time form. Hamilton, too, bowled extremely well, but was unable to touch the wickets as often as usual: the runs made from him were mostly snicks to the boundary. Scores:—

	O.	M.	R.	W.
W. E. Dixon, c. Wahl, b. Beakes	...	...	...	...
D. M. Goodall, c. Adams, b. Cripwell	...	...	...	...
R. C. Wittell, c. McGregor, b. Beakes	...	...	...	...
E. W. Hamilton, b. Cripwell	...	...	...	...
C. M. W. Reynolds, b. Beakes	...	...	...	...
B. W. Bradbury, l.b.w., b. Cripwell	...	...	...	...
P. T. Lambie, not out	...	...	...	...
B. E. O. Bird, c. Waller, b. Cripwell	...	...	...	...
Hon. C. Severn, b. Cripwell	...	...	...	...
W. H. Edmonds, c. Waller, b. Beakes	...	...	...	...
F. J. Ling, b. Beakes	...	...	...	...
Extras	...	...	...	...
Total	...	...	...	...

Bowling. O. M. R. W.
Beakes ... 15 4 52 5
Cripwell ... 14 0 77 5

Royal Engineers.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Sgt. McGregor, c. Dixon, b. Bird	...	...	...	...
Opl. Adams, c. Ling, b. Bird	...	...	...	...
Spr. Waller, c. Dixon, b. Hamilton	...	...	...	...
ton ...	...	...	...	...
C. Q. M. S. Beakes, b. Bird	...	...	...	...
Lt. Wahl, c. Bradbury, b. Hamilton	...	...	...	...
S. S. Cripwell, b. Bird	...	...	...	...
Opl. Heath, c. Lambie, b. Bird	...	...	...	...
Spr. Millard, b. Bird	...	...	...	...
Opl. Charters, not out	...	...	...	...
Lt. Opl. Pasco, c. Ling, b. Bird	...	...	...	...
Spr. Townsend, b. Hamilton	...	...	...	...
Extras	...	...	...	...
Total	...	...	...	...

Chinese Recreation Club.

v. R.G.A.

This match, played at Causeway Bay, had an exciting finish. The Gunners went first to the wicket and opened very weakly. The score stood at 59 when the last man went in but Smith and Mann made things merry and the innings closed for 113. The C.R.C. got the requisite number for the loss of eight wickets, just on time. The scores were:—

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Br. Athorne, c. Ng Sze Kwong, b. Yew Man Tsun	...	...	...	...
Br. Dix, c. Ng Sze Kwong, b. Yew Man Tsun	...	...	...	...
Br. Drummond, c. Yew Man Tsun, b. Yew Man Tsun	...	...	...	...
Gnr. Perkins, c. Ng Sze Kwong, b. Yew Man Tsun	...	...	...	...
Extras	...	...	...	...
Total	...	...	...	...

Lieut. Wilkinson, c. Ng Sze Kwong, b. Yew Man Tsun

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Lieut. Baker, c. and b. Yew Man Tsun	...	...	...	...
Gr. Baines, c. and b. Yew Man Tsun	...	...	...	...
Gr. Mann, not out	...	...	...	...
C. Q. M. S. Rose, c. Ohing, b. Yew Man Tsun	...	...	...	...
Gr. Armata, c. Ho Wing Kin, b. Yew Man Tsun	...	...	...	...
Gr. Smith, hit wicket, b. Yew Man Tsun	...	...	...	...
Hew Fan	...	...	...	...
Extras	...	...	...	...
Total	...	...	...	...

Bowling.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Un Haw Fan	...	...	...	...
Yew Man Tsun	...	...	...	...
Ng Sze Kwong	...	...	...	...
C. R. C.	...	...	...	...
Ng Sze Kwong, c. Smith, b. Baines	...	...	...	...
Ng Sze Yuen, c. Dix, b. Baines	...	...	...	...
Ohia Man Ping, l.b.w. b. Athorne	...	...	...	...
Un Haw Fan, c. Dix, b. Baines	...	...	...	...
Ho Wing Kin, c. Ross, b. Baines	...	...	...	...
G. Lee, b. Baines	...	...	...	...
Yew Man Tsun, c. Baker, b. Athorne	...	...	...	...
H. Ohing, c. Drummond, b. Baines	...	...	...	...
Kwok Shiu Yan, not out	...	...	...	...
A. J. Kew, not out	...	...	...	...
B. Lee, did not bat	...	...	...	...
Extras	...	...	...	...
Total (for 8 wks.)	...	...	...	...

Bowling.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Br. Athorne	...	...	...	...
Gr. Baines	...	...	...	...
Lt. Biker	...	...	...	...
Br. Dix	...	...	...	...

Kowloon v. Middlesex Battn.

This match resulted in a rather surprising win for the Middlesex team by eight runs. The military batted first and scored 116. Kowloon opened poorly, both Blackburn and Robinson being sent back without scoring. Macaskill, however, put up a useful 70, but Kowloon were still in arrears when the last wicket fell. Scores:—

	O.	M.	R.	W.
L. Opl. Tebbutt, c. Stapleton, b. Cobb	...	...	...	...
Pie. Grove, b. Cobb	...	...	...	...
Opl. Fawthrop, c. Green, b. Cobb	...	...	...	...
Sgt. Cooper, c. and b. Cobb	...	...	...	...
L. Opl. Butterworth, c. Stalker, b. Cobb	...	...	...	...
Capt. Henderson Smith, b. Cobb	...	...	...	...
Lieut. Dickenson, c. and b. Stalker	...	...	...	...
Pie. Parnell, not out	...	...	...	...
Pie. Smith, b. Pestonji	...	...	...	...
Lieut. Lovely, b. Pestonji	...	...	...	...
Pie. Woodward, b. Cobb	...	...	...	...
Extras	...	...	...	...
Total	...	...	...	...

Kowloon.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
L. J. Blackburn, c. Grove, b. Parnell	...	...	...	...
J. P. Robinson, c. Smith, b. Parnell	...	...	...	...
J. Stalker, c. Grove, b. Tebbutt	...	...	...	...
K. Macaskill, b. Fawthrop	...	...	...	...
C. Stapleton, c. Smith, b. Woodward	...	...	...	...
Extras	...	...	...	...
Total	...	...	...	...

H. K. C. v. Craigengower.

The Club won a handsome victory in this match. Craigengower batted first and were all out for 88, Morgan and Pearce bowling most effectively. This total was passed by the Club without the loss of a wicket, Pearce and Marial contributing 171. The innings closed for 266. Scores:—

	O.	M.	R.	W.
B. Bass, c. Jacks, b. Morgan	...	...	...	...
F. Ford, c. McOonnell, b. Morgan	...	...	...	...
F. Thompson, c. Murray, b. Pearce	...	...	...	...
J. Graham, b. Pearce	...	...	...	...
M. Abbas, c. Pearce, b. Morgan	...	...	...	...
A. Grimmett, b. Pearce	...	...	...	...
J. D. Norris, c. Murray, b. Pearce	...	...	...	...
L. A. Rose, c. Evans, b. Pearce	...	...	...	...
W. Edwards, c. Donnelly, b. Pearce	...	...	...	...
D. K. Kharas, c. Murray, b. Morgan	...	...	...	...
T. Pitt, not out	...	...	...	...
Extras	...	...	...	...
Total	...	...	...	...

Civil Service v. Stonecutter's Tennis Club.

Played on the Civil Service courts resulting in a win for the visitors after a close and pleasant match by one game. Scores:—
Reynolds and Vergette lost to Ives and Watts, 2-9; beat Kirkham and Turner, 7-4; lost to Edgler and Barker, 2-9.
Dakin and Clarke lost to Ives and Watts, 6-11; beat Kirkham and Turner, 7-4; beat Edgler and Barker, 8-3.
Woodman and Woodman beat Ives and Watts, 8-5; beat Kirkham and Turner, 8-3; beat Edgler and Barker, 9-2.
Totals:—Stonecutter's, 50; C.S., 49.

TO HONGKONG SHIPPERS.

Use of Cotton Waste for Packing.

The U. S. Consul General in Hongkong issues the following:—
"The attention of shippers of goods from Hongkong to the United States is called to the fact that the use of cotton waste containing seeds as packing for glassware, china, and similar goods, or in any other way which will carry such waste and seeds to the United States, is prohibited; and that the continued use of such waste may subject the articles exported to a refusal of entry or a requirement that they be disinfected as a condition of entry."

Bowling.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Donnelly	...	...	...	...
Morgan	...	...	...	...
Pearce	...	...	...	...

H.K.C.C.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
T. E. Pearce, run out	...	...	...	...
H. E. Marial at Pitt, b. Grimmett	...	...	...	...
Capt. Gray, b. Abbas	...	...	...	...
Lt. Murray, c. Ford, b. Grimmett	...	...	...	...
M. Abbas, b. Grimmett	...	...	...	...
F. W. S. Evans, c. Thompson, b. Grimmett	...	...	...	...
D. E. Donnelly, b. Abbas	...	...	...	...
Lt. Ool. Morgan, b. Grimmett	...	...	...	...
H. E. Holland, c. Kharas, b. Grimmett	...	...	...	...
Lt. J. K. McConnell, b. Graham	...	...	...	...
P. Jacks, not out	...	...	...	...
Extras	...	...	...	...
Total	...	...	...	...

Bowling.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
J. S. Graham	...	...	...	...
A. W. Grimmett	...	...	...	...
M. Abbas	...	...	...	...

Navy v. University.

This friendly game was played on the University ground, the Navy winning an exciting match by one run. Scores:—

	O.	M.	R.	W.
A. P. Wright, b. Hall	...	...	...	...
Sig. Hack, b. Wright	...	...	...	...
Commander Gibson, b. Wright	...	...	...	...
Mr. Cary, b. Wright	...	...	...	...
A. P. Robinson, c. Hinton, b. Wright	...	...	...	...
A. F. Wild, c. Jack, b. Wright	...	...	...	...
A. B. Henley, c. Atienza, b. Hinton	...	...	...	...
W. Staley, b. Hinton	...	...	...	...
Pie. Moriarty, c. and b. Wright	...	...	...	...
L. S. Godfrey, not out	...	...	...	...
Pie. Stacy, c. Ramjahn, b. Wright	...	...	...	...
Extras	...	...	...	...
Total	...	...	...	...

Bowling.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
F. A. Redmond	...	...	...	...
G. Hall	...	...	...	...
J. D. Wright	...	...	...	...
W. J. Hinton	...	...	...	...
Lim King Sim	...	...	...	...

University.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
A. H. Ramjahn, c. Godfrey, b. Gibson	...	...	...	...
W. G. Hinton, c. Godfrey, b. Gibson	...	...	...	...
F. A. Redmond, b. Gibson	...	...	...	...
G. Hall, b. Gibson	...	...	...	...
P. Benson by Fane, b. Gibson	...	...	...	...
J. M. Jack, c. Stacy, b. Hack	...	...	...	...
Lim King Sim, run out	...	...	...	...
J. D. Wright, c. Moriarty, b. Gibson	...	...	...	...
W. J. Hinton, not out	...	...	...	...
P. Atienza, b. Gibson	...	...	...	...
Ohia Sin Kah, b. Gibson	...	...	...	...
Extras	...	...	...	...
Total	...	...	...	...

Bowling.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Com. Gibson	...	...	...	...
L. S. Godfrey	...	...	...	...
S. Hack	...	...	...	...

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CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

To-day's Cases at the Supreme Court.

The January Criminal Sessions opened at the Supreme Court this morning, before the Chief Justice, (Sir William Rives Davies). The list contained several cases, but with the exception of one of murder by two men, they were not of a serious nature.

Highway Robbery Charge.

Mok Tung-kiu was charged with highway robbery. Prisoner pleaded not guilty. The jury were empanelled as follows:—Messrs. W. E. Rose, P. J. Taylor, A. A. Alves, J. Walker, E. H. Botelho, F. Laurie and J. F. Tavares.

The Crown Solicitor prosecuted and told how complainant, a contractor, was on his way from Taitam Tok, on December 5, to Shaikwan, an hour's walk from an hour's stop at a tea house. Shortly after he left, he was attacked from behind by two men. He attempted to blow his police whistle but the men struggled with him and he was not able to do so for some time. During the struggle, complainant bit the thumb of one of his assailants and then managed to free his hands so that he could draw his revolver. He fired at one of the men, wounding him, and then, voices being heard, the two men made off. The police came on the scene and stayed in the vicinity for some time. In the night a movement was heard in some bushes near the reservoir and the prisoner came out. He was taken to the Police Station and then to the Hospital where it was found that he was wounded in the chest, and he had also an injured thumb.

Dr. McKenny, Superintendent of the Government Civil Hospital, said that when the man was admitted he had a bullet wound right through the chest. The bullet had entered on the right side. If it had entered at the left, prisoner would probably have been killed.

The jury, without leaving the box, found prisoner guilty. His Lordship said prisoner had been found guilty on very clear evidence of committing robbery with violence. It was fortunate for complainant that people came or prisoner would probably have used complainant's own revolver on him. Prisoner had a dangerous weapon on him and in view of that fact, he (the Chief Justice) would pass a lighter sentence than he otherwise should have done. He would be sentenced to four years' hard labour, and would receive eight strokes with the "cat."

Another Robbery Case.

Ohu Ying, alias Ohu Hing, pleaded not guilty to a charge of highway robbery on two women at Kowloon, stealing silver bangles and a silver dollar. The same jury were empanel

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(Reuter's Service to the "Telegraph.")

YESTERDAY'S TELEGRAMS.

MR. LLOYD GEORGE ON THE MAN-POWER QUESTION.

London, Jan. 18.

Mr. Lloyd George, addressing representatives of the Trade Unions affected by the Man Power Bill, paid a tribute to the way in which they had met the Government. A spirit of complete frankness characterised both sides, resulting in clearing up misunderstandings. The Premier reiterated that the only alternatives to the proposals of the Bill were the raising of the age limit, as in Austria where it is 45, or the sending back of wounded men. It would be folly to withdraw men from industry an hour sooner than necessary; but it would be treason to the country, to democracy, to the cause of freedom, if when need arose we did not make the demand. (Cheers.)

The Premier continued: "I assume that in your hearts you believe the war aims declared by the great Labour Conference to represent the minimum of justice which could possibly be acceptable; but if we are unable to defeat the German forces, if we are unable to resist the military power of Prussia, is there a man here possessed with intelligence who believes that one of your terms, even the least of them, will be enforced? (Cheers.) I am not talking of the demands of Imperialists, the demands of extreme war men who want to annex the earth and all the heavenly firmament, I am talking of the moderate demands of the most pacifist soul in this assembly. Go to Hindenburg with them, try to cash that cheque at the Hindenburg Bank. It will be returned dishonoured. Whatever terms are submitted by any pacifist in these lands, you won't get them cashed by Ludendorff or the Kaiser or any of these magnates—not one of them, unless you have got the power to enforce them." (Cheers.)

He, the speaker, and President Wilson, without previous consultation, had laid down what was substantially the same programme of demands for the termination of the war. There had been no response from any man in any position in Germany indicating that the rulers of Germany desired to approach the problem in a spirit of equity. We demanded the restoration of Belgium. Would any of his hearers make peace without the complete restoration of Belgium and reparation for its wrongs? (Shouts of "No.") Germany's only answer to that demand came from the soul of Von Tirpitz, who replied "Never."

He, the speaker, demanded reconsideration of the wrong of Alsace Lorraine. Germany answered "Never." The programme had been acclaimed throughout the Allied countries and criticism was hardly heard except from a few who wished Lloyd George had made more extreme demands. The socialists of France, Italy and Britain had mainly accepted the demands as very fair. Mr. Lloyd George emphasised that he would not have the war for a second on his soul if he could stop it honourably. He urged those especially who thought we were responsible for perpetuating the horror of war to consider the reception of our demands in Germany, where the only comment had been: "Behold how England is weakening. Go and they will come down again." When he suggested that Mesopotamia and

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Palestine should never be restored to the tyranny of the Turk Germany answered: "We will go on until they are restored."

The Premier emphasised that not a single condition contained in the British Trade Union war aims had met with any authoritative response from Germany. It was very significant that there had been no civilian answer from Germany at all. (Hear hear.) His and Wilson's speeches had been thoroughly discussed in the German papers, but no civilian minister had said a word. Field Marshal Hindenburg and General Ludendorff had been very hurriedly summoned to confer at Berlin, but Herr Kuehlmann was not allowed to speak. That meant that Prussian military power was dominant. Germany's answer to Civilisation would be given from the cannon's mouth. It would be a mistake to harbour any delusions. "Let us talk quite freely here amongst ourselves. You might as well stop fighting unless you are going to do it well. Unless you are going to do it with all your might it is real murder of the gallant fellows who have stood there for three years. (Cheers.) Unless we are going to do it well let us stop it. There is no alternative. You have either got to put your whole strength into it or just do what is done in the Russian Army and tell those brave fellows they can go home whenever they like. If there are men who say they won't go into the trenches, the men in the trenches will have the right to say: 'Neither will we remain here.' (Cheers.) That would end the war; but what sort of end? When the Russian soldiers ceased fighting and fraternised and simply talked of great ideals and principles to the German Army the Germans did not retreat, but took Riga and the islands. Fraternisation did not prevent the Germans from marching forward, and if Petrograd were nearer they would have had that too. Unless we are prepared to stand up to the whole might of the powers now dominating Germany, you will find Democracy in Europe at the mercy of the cruellest military autocracy the world has ever seen. If you sent Hindenburg a peace delegation he would just mock at your request that he should evacuate Belgium. He would say in his heart: 'You cannot turn me out of Belgium with Trade Union resolutions.' The answer you can give him is 'We can and will turn you out of Belgium with Trade Union guns with Trade Unionists behind them.' (Cheers.) They have already broken this line, but let us harbour no delusions. No Democracy ever long survived its adherents' failure to be ready to die for it. My appeal to you is: Last night the House of Commons carried this measure without dissent. Democracy, in plain terms, is Government by the majority of the people. It is a fundamental travesty of the principles of Democracy if one 'profession, one trade, one section, one class of the community claims immunity from the obligations imposed upon the rest. (Cheers.) That is setting up a new aristocracy. You and I in the past fought against privilege. I hope we are fighting on the same side again. We are fighting now against the military caste privilege. Democracy means that everyone must merge his privileges and rights in a common stock.

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A voice: And wealth!

The Premier: Certainly. If any man standing in my place can find an honourable and equitable way out of this conflict without fighting it through, for Heaven's sake let him tell me. My own conviction is that the people must either go on or go under." (Applause.)

THE FOOD SUPPLY.

London, Jan. 18.

Lord Rhonda, the Food Controller speaking at the Aldwych Club, said that great difficulty was due to falling imports and the necessity of feeding the Army from these. We had reached the stage where the was endeavouring to secure equality of sacrifice. The meat consumption in the next few months must be considerably reduced. There was no prospect of a meat famine, there being only 5 per cent. less cattle in the country compared with the figures for June last year. There was cause for anxiety but not alarm. As regards bread supplies, the bread would be darker in future. When compulsory rationing came in the consumer would get 50 per cent. more than the Germans.

Lord Rhonda deprecated setting class against class, but respecting the complaints of extravagance in the West End he was of the opinion that the rich and the middle-classes had reduced consumption more than the wage earner.

Over 3,000,000 lbs. of tea were allotted for to-day. It is understood that next week's allotment will include some Government tea acquired in India and Ceylon under the new purchase scheme. The Food Ministry states that there is only a quarter of a million pounds of China tea in stock and that steps are being taken to distribute it.

The "Times" understands that a scheme has been prepared for the control of the rice trade by which the Government will fix the price payable by millers for paddy and the price at which it will take milled rice, leaving a margin between the two prices to enable the millers to earn a profit. It is understood that native cultivators will be assured a very satisfactory price. The exportable surplus is estimated at 2,850,000 tons. Only a portion will be required for the United Kingdom. The millers will be empowered to dispose of the remainder by licence.

In the House of Commons, Sir J. D. Rees asked whether a shipment of coffee from Mombassa had been permitted while coffee from Southern Indian ports had been held up; also whether coffee and merchandise from the Malabar coast had been held up or the Comorandel coast. Sir Chiozza Money replied that shipments were dependent upon the uncertain contingency of available space. He feared it was impossible to avoid such inequalities as had been mentioned, and there was no likelihood of any improvement.

WAP FINANCE AND PREMIUM BONDS.

London, Jan. 18.

The Committee on Premium Bonds reports that it does not advise the issue of premium bonds until further efforts are made to render the present issues attractive to investors. The committee admits that a considerable untapped source of investment might be secured by premium bonds, but doubts whether the total thus obtainable would justify undesirable and controversial legislation.

THE SILVER MARKET.

San Francisco, Jan. 19.

The November exports of silver amounted to 3,384,000 ounces. The estimate for the year is 50,000,000 ounces.

Silver is 44¢. There is no offering and the market is quiet.

Messrs. Montagu & Co.'s report says the market is easier and supplies more plentiful. The keenness of the New Year trade demand seems to have momentarily abated and the Shanghai exchange has eased slightly.

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SERIOUS AFFAIRS IN RUSSIA.

London, Jan. 18.

A wireless message states that the Central Powers have rejected the Russian proposals, tabled on January 18th, and have refused to withdraw their troops from the occupied territories during the war. They agree to the peoples' voting through elected bodies, but state that a referendum is impracticable.

London, Jan. 18.

A Russian message received by wireless states that the People's Commissaries for Food and Communications draw attention to the disorders and excesses at railway stations committed by soldiers and others. They declare that the railways are in the mob's power. This state of anarchy has disorganized the transport service, preventing supplies being sent to the starving regions and to the Armies. They summon the Council to take the most drastic measures to establish order.

The People's Commissaries announce the stoppage of main line passenger trains on numerous railways from January 20 to February 2, owing to the urgency of transporting food to the front and to Moscow and Petrograd.

London, Jan. 18.

The Rumanian authorities inform Reuter that the Bolshevik ultimatum refers to the ringleaders of a Bolshevik plot to seize the Rumanian Royal family and members of the Government and to assassinate General Tcherbatoff. The latter captured the ringleaders, whilst the Rumanian Army disarmed 15,000 Bolshevik irregulars. The Rumanians have carefully refrained from fighting the Bolsheviks, but will not tolerate any action by foreign troops in Rumania against the Rumanian Royal family; the Government or the people. Rumanian divisions are now watching Russian deserters, who are pillaging and burning villages in Rumania. The King of Rumania and his family are still at Jassy. They remain most loyal to them and the Allies.

London, Jan. 19.

A Russian message by wireless states that M. Trozky, in a proclamation, accuses the Germans of misrepresenting the Brest-Litovsk proceedings with the intention of misleading the German public.

The gravest apprehensions are entertained as regards the outcome of events to-morrow. A considerable number of the garrison is certain to support the Pro-Constituents, and it is feared that any collision will be of the most sanguinary character. The Commissioners are drafting in 2,000 sailors from Kronstadt and Helsingfors for the purpose of posting them in the vicinity of the Tauride Palace, where the Constituent Assembly is holding a meeting. The few Ukraine delegates who are participating in the Meeting will read a declaration favouring the formation of a Federal Republic and then leave the Capital.

The Bolsheviks have issued a proclamation that they will ruthlessly suppress any opposition from whatever quarter. The Pro-Constituent demonstrators are described as enemies of the people who are striving to bring about the downfall of the Soviets. Workmen and soldiers are ordered to abstain from the demonstrations. On the other hand, nine Pro-Constituent processions are being organised for a march past the Tauride Palace. They have called on the workmen of Petrograd not to permit assaults on the Constituent and the Garrison of the fortress of St. Peter and St. Paul in favour of the Bolsheviks.

Relations between the Bolsheviks and Rumania have reached a dangerous pitch. The Revolutionary Committee of the XIth Russian Army has sent to Rumania a two-hours' ultimatum demanding the free passage of Russian troops through Jassy (the present capital of Rumania).

It is confirmed that the People's Commissaries have ordered the arrest of the King of Rumania.

ITALIANS CAPTURE P-ISONERS.

London, Jan. 18.

An Italian official message states: We captured on 14th, 15th, and 16th, inst. 491 prisoners, as well as 15 machine guns and two bomb throwers.

HONGKONG SHARE REPORT.

B.—SELLERS; SA.—SALES; R.—BUYERS; N.—NOMINAL.

OFFICIAL PRICES.

BANKS.

H. K. & S. Banks b. \$600

MARINE INSURANCES.

Cantons b. \$295

North China b. \$115

Unions b. \$740

Yangtzes b. ex 73 \$305

FIRE INSURANCES.

China Fires b. \$125

H. K. Fires b. \$310

SHIPPING.

Douglases b. \$75

Steamboats b. \$171

Indos (Def.) sa. & s. \$154

Indos (Prof.) b. \$33

Shells b. \$112

Ferries b. \$28

REFINERIES.

Sugars b. \$5

Malabons b. \$34

MINING.

Kailans b. \$8

Langkats b. \$14

Raubs b. \$240

Tronohs b. \$30

Urals b. \$23

Oriental Cons. b. \$27

DOCKS, WHARVES, GODOWNS, &C.

H. K. Wharves b. \$97

Kowloon Docks b. \$125

Shai Docks b. \$70

LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.

Centrals b. \$95

H. K. Hotels b. \$30

Land Invest. b. \$30

H'phreys Est. b. \$5.80

K'loon Lands b. \$30

Shai Lands b. \$70

West Points b. \$81

Reclamations b. \$115

COTTON MILLS.

Ewos b. \$170

Kung Yik b. x. d. t. \$14.10

Shai Cottons b. \$120

Yangtzepeeps sa. & b. \$8

Orientals b. \$44

MISCELLANEOUS.

Bornes b. \$8

China Light & P. b. \$3.50

Providents b. \$7.50

Dairy Farms b. \$31

Green Islands sa. \$7.60

H. K. Electric b. & sa. \$4.48

H. K. Ice Co. b. \$183

Ropes b. \$29

Steel Foundries b. \$10

Trams, Low Level b. \$6.40

Trams, Peak, old s. \$81

Trams, Peak, new s. cts. \$0.30

Laundries b. \$4

U. Waterboats b. \$12

Watsons b. \$5

Wm. Powells b. \$8

Morning Posts b. \$29

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Demand, Paris. 4.06 1/2

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Hongkong 1/32 " 10 %

Hongkong 1/64 " 10 %

Hongkong 1/128 " 10 %

Hongkong 1/256 " 10 %

Hongkong 1/512 " 10 %

Hongkong 1/1024 " 10 %

Hongkong 1/2048 " 10 %

Hongkong 1/4096 " 10 %

Hongkong 1/8192 " 10 %

Hongkong 1/16384 " 10 %

Hongkong 1/32768 " 10 %

Hongkong 1/65536 " 10 %

Hongkong 1/131072 " 10 %

Hongkong 1/262144 " 10 %

Hongkong 1/524288 " 10 %

Hongkong 1/1048576 " 10 %

Hongkong 1/2097152 " 10 %

Hongkong 1/4194304 " 10 %

Hongkong 1/8388608 " 10 %

Hongkong 1/16777216 " 10 %

Hongkong 1/33554432 " 10 %

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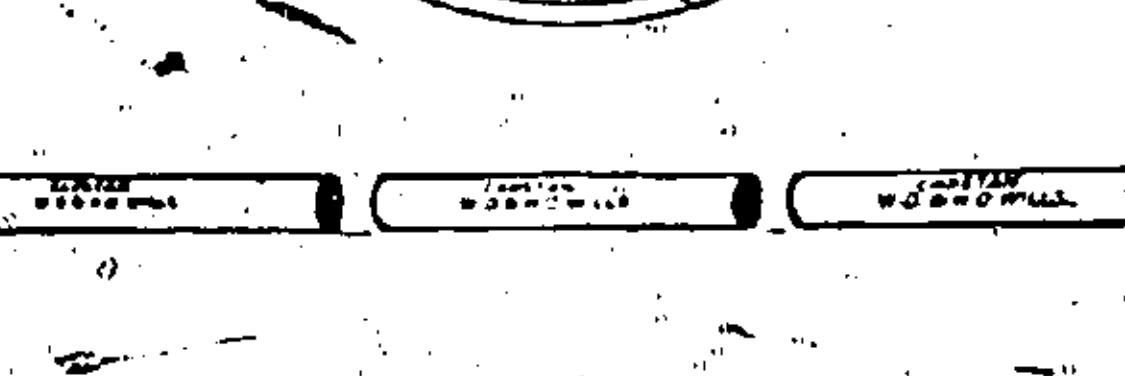
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Correspondence addressed to enemy subjects in China, Siberia and Portugal, East Africa, Persia and Morocco cannot be transmitted.

The Services to Germany, Austria, Bulgaria and the Ottoman Empire are suspended.

Uninsured parcels for the United Kingdom will in future be forwarded from Hongkong in bags and the Public are therefore advised to pack such parcels very carefully.

Letters franked at the 4 cents rate addressed to Yunanfu and Meigie and other places in the Province of Yunan should be superscribed with the words "For delivery by the Chinese Post Office."

Parcels for Greece cannot be accepted for transmission unless accompanied by a special permit issued by the British Minister at Athens.

Arrangements have been made for the transmission of parcels to the United Kingdom via Canada.

The rates of postage are as follows:—
Parcel not over 5 lbs. 50 cents.
Do. 7 lbs. \$1.80
Do. 11 lbs. 2.70

No insurance can be effected on parcels sent by this route.

IMPORT PROHIBITIONS.

The public are informed that the undenominated articles are prohibited from importation into the United Kingdom, either by letter post or by parcel post.

Gold manufactured or unmanufactured including gold coins and articles containing gold; all manufactures of silver other than silver watches and silver watch cases; Jewellery of any description.

Letters and Parcels containing such articles cannot therefore be accepted for transmission by the Post Office.

The Parcel Post service to Aden (except in respect of parcels for military and naval addresses) has been suspended.

FRENCH PARCEL REGULATIONS.

The Public are informed that the new regulations adopted by the French Customs limit the number of parcels addressed to France, Corsica and Algeria must fill in the columns of the regular Customs Declaration particularly and exactly, omitting none of the headings comprised therein.

It is furthermore absolutely necessary to show in the aforesaid declaration (1) The full name and address of the addressee (2) A statement as to whether the contents are intended for State supplies or not.

LOCAL AND REGULAR MAILS OUTWARD.

Tai O—Week days, 5 p.m.
Tai Po—Week days, 10 a.m.; Sundays, 9.30 a.m.
Cheung Chow—Week days, 7.30 a.m.
Shatin, Shatin and Sheung Shui—Week days, 4 p.m.
Aberdeen, Au Tau, Ping Shan, Sai Kung, San Tin and Stanley—Week days, 4.30 p.m.; Sundays, 9.30 a.m.; Registration 5 p.m.; Letter 6 p.m.; Sundays, 5 p.m.
Macao—Week days, 7.15 a.m., 1.30 p.m.; Sundays, 9 a.m.
Kowloon—Week days, 6 p.m. Except Saturdays; Sundays, 5 p.m.
Sham Shui Po—Week days, 10 a.m., 4 p.m.; Sundays, 9 a.m.

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Macao—Week days, 7.30 a.m., 1.30 p.m.; Sundays, 9.30 a.m.; Holidays, 7.30 a.m., 1.30 p.m.
Canton—Week days, 7.30 a.m., 9.30 p.m.; Sundays, 9.30 p.m.; Holidays, 7.30 a.m., 9.30 p.m.
Tai Ping Tsung—Week days, 9.30 p.m.; Sundays, 9.30 p.m.; Holidays, 9.30 p.m.
Shi Ki—Week days, 9.30 p.m.; Sundays, 9.30 p.m.; Holidays, 9.30 p.m.
Kowloon—Week days, 6 p.m.; Sundays, 5 p.m.; Holidays, 5 p.m.
Kam Cheuk—Week days, 6 p.m.; Sundays, 5 p.m.; Holidays, 5 p.m.
Kau Tsang—Week days, 6 p.m.; Sundays, 5 p.m.; Holidays, 5 p.m.

WEATHER REPORT.

January 21d. 12h. 13m.—No return from Japan and Vladivostok. Pressure has decreased slightly along the coast of China and Annam, and has eased slightly elsewhere; the anticyclone remains central over N. China.

Fresh to strong monsoon will continue along the China Coast, and over the N. China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. today, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 0.00 inch, against an average of 0.63 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District	Forecast
1 Hongkong to Cap Rock	N.E. winds, fresh; fine.
2 Formosa Channel	N. winds, strong.
3 South coast of China between H.K. and Lanchow	The same as No. 1.
4 South coast of China between H.K. and Hainan	The same as No. 1.

China Coast Meteorological Register, January 21, a.m.

Station	Hour	Barometer	Temperature	Humidity	Wind Force	Weather
Vostock	5a	30.56	24	87	nw	4 b
Namuro	5a	30.56	24	87	nw	4 b
Macao	5a	30.56	24	87	nw	4 b
Tokio	5a	30.56	24	87	nw	4 b
Nagasaki	5a	30.56	24	87	nw	4 b
Yokohama	5a	30.56	24	87	nw	4 b
Shanghai	5a	30.56	24	87	nw	4 b
Hangchow	5a	30.56	24	87	nw	4 b
Amoy	5a	30.56	24	87	nw	4 b
Swatow	5a	30.56	24	87	nw	4 b
Taihou	5a	30.56	24	87	nw	4 b
Taipei	5a	30.56	24	87	nw	4 b
Tainan	5a	30.56	24	87	nw	4 b
Kobe	5a	30.56	24	87	nw	4 b
Yokohama	5a	30.56	24	87	nw	4 b
Osaka	5a	30.56	24	87	nw	4 b
Kyoto	5a	30.56	24	87	nw	4 b
Manila	5a	30.56	24	87	nw	4 b
Cebu	5a	30.56	24	87	nw	4 b
Iloilo	5a	30.56	24	87	nw	4 b
Surigao	5a	30.56	24	87	nw	4 b
Cebu	5a	30.56	24	87	nw	4 b
Luzon	5a	30.56	24	87	nw	4 b

C. W. JEFFRIES—Chief Assistant.

Hongkong Observatory, Jan. 21, 1918.

1 Barometer, reduced to 32 degrees Fahrenheit on the level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths.

2 Temperature, in the shade, in degrees Fahrenheit.

3 Humidity, in percentage of saturation, the humidity of air saturated with moisture being 100.

4 Direction of Wind, to two points.

5 Force of Wind, according to Beaufort Scale.

6 State of Weather, by blue sky, detached clouds, drizzling rain, fog, gloomy, hail, lightning, or snow, or passing showers, or equally, rain, snow, thunder, or visibility, or dew wet.

METEOROLOGICAL.

Previous Day	On date	On date
Barometer	30.22	30.15
Temperature	59	54
Humidity	41	47
Wind Direction	E. E.N.E.	E.
Force	2	5
Weather	b. c.	b.
Rain	0.00	0.00
Highest temp. of the day	60	59
Lowest	54	51

H.K. Observatory, Jan. 21, 1918.

T. F. CLARKE, Director.

TIDE TABLE.

From 21st Jan. to 27th Jan.

High Water	Low Water
21st Jan. 1.30 p.m.	21st Jan. 1.30 a.m.
22nd Jan. 1.30 p.m.	22nd Jan. 1.30 a.m.
23rd Jan. 1.30 p.m.	23rd Jan. 1.30 a.m.
24th Jan. 1.30 p.m.	24th Jan. 1.30 a.m.
25th Jan. 1.30 p.m.	25th Jan. 1.30 a.m.
26th Jan. 1.30 p.m.	26th Jan. 1.30 a.m.
27th Jan. 1.30 p.m.	27th Jan. 1.30 a.m.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

VICTORIA THEATRE.

Tuesday, 22nd January, 1918.

3rd and 4th EPISODES of

"THE GREAT SECRET."

"FROM SUNSHINE TO SHADOW."

"THE HIDDEN HAND."

Pathe's British Gazettes.

Comics.

THURSDAY, 24th, Special Matinee,

FRIDAY, 25th The Final Episode of the

"MYSTERY OF THE DOUBLE CROSS."

Booking at ANDERSON'S.

THEATRE ROYAL.

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Book before you sleep.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

By Order of Mortgagees
MR. GEO. P. LAMMERT has received instructions to sell by Public Auction

ON FRIDAY,

the 25th day of January, 1918,

at 3 o'clock in the afternoon

at his Sales Rooms, Duddell Street,

THE VERY VALUABLE

LEASEHOLD PROPERTY

situate at Victoria aforesaid and registered in the Land Office as Section B and The Remaining Portion of Marine Lot No. 188 and Section C and The Remaining Portion of Marine Lot No. 189 together with the messuages thereon known as NOS. 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5, HILL ROAD and NOS. 410, 412, 414, 416, 418, 420, 422 and 424 DES VOEUX ROAD, WEST.

IN FIVE LOTS.

Lot 1—Nos. 1, 2, and 3 Hill Road.

Area about 7216 square feet.

Lot 2—Nos. 4 and 5 Hill Road.

Area about 7142 square feet.

Lot 3—Nos. 410, 412, and 414 Des Voeux Road West.

Area about 3759 square feet.

Lot 4—Nos. 416, 418 and 420 Des Voeux Road West.

Area about 3748 square feet.

Lot 5—Nos. 422 and 424 Des Voeux Road West.

Area about 2835 square feet.

The property is held under Crown Leases for 999 years.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to

MESSRS. DEACON, LOCKER, DEACON & HARBOR,

1 Des Voeux Road Central, Vendors' Solicitors,

or to

MR. GEO. P. LAMMERT,

The Auctioneer,

Hongkong, 9th January, 1918.

NOTICE

MOTOR CAR TRIES IN KOWLOON AND NEW TERRITORY.

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H. E. Major-General Vantia,

General Officer Commanding,

will hold the Annual Inspection

of the Detachment at the Military

Hospital on Friday, the 25th

inst. Members to assemble at

10.30 a.m.

Members are reminded that in

order to be returned as "Efficient"

for the year they must be certified

as having attended not less than

twelve lectures or their equivalent,

as being efficient in First

Aid and Home Nursing, as having

turned out for duty when called

upon, and as having been present

at the Annual Inspection.

Any member failing to qualify

under any of the above heads

will lose credit for the year as

regards service for the Service

Badges and for the Service Medal

issued by command of the

Grand Prior of the Order of the

authority of the Sovereign.

NOTICES.

NOTICE.

A MEETING of the St. George's Society will be held on MONDAY 26th January, at 5.30 P.M. in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., (kindly lent for the occasion).

BUSINESS.

(1) To pass the accounts for 1917.

(2) To arrange for the celebration of St. George's Day 1918.

(3) To elect a Committee and Officers for 1918.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

By Order of the Mortgagee
MR. GEO. P. LAMMERT has received instructions to sell by Public Auction

ON THURSDAY,

the 24th day of January, 1918,

at 3 p.m. at his Sales Room,

Duddell Street, Victoria,

Hongkong.

The following Valuable Leasehold Property situate at Victoria

Hongkong, viz:—

ALL THAT piece or parcel of

ground situate at Victoria aforesaid and known and registered

in the Land Office as Section C of Northern Portion of the Praya

Reclamation to Marine Lot No. 200. Together with the messuages

erected thereon known as No. 102 Connaught Road West

Victoria aforesaid. Proportion of Annual Crown rent \$27.12—Area

about 1352 square feet. The property is subject to a Lease

for 5 Chinese years from 29th August, 1916, at a monthly rent

of \$240.

For further particulars and conditions of sale

apply to

JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER,

Prince's Buildings, Ice House Street,

Hongkong.

Solicitors for the Mortgagees,

or to

MR. GEO. P. LAMMERT,

The Auctioneer,

Hongkong, 10th January, 1918.

THE HONGKONG & SOUTH CHINA WAR SAVINGS ASSOCIATION.

APPLICATION forms for Membership of the above Association may be obtained from all the Banks or from the undersigned.

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